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Company Profile

[Lewiston Auburn Economic Growth Council](http://www.laegc.org) (LAEGC) provides value-added economic development services to the City of Lewiston and City of Auburn, Maine. Their primary focus is on helping entrepreneurs start business, expand existing business, and attraction of new business and investment to LA Maine.

Business Objective(s)

[LAEGC](http://www.laegc.org) looks forward to attending DEFSEC Atlantic 2016 to connect with Canadian companies that are considering an expansion to the northeastern United States to discuss how LA Maine can be the right US launchpad for their business.

Services

- Business Incentives
- Innovation & entrepreneurship services for new businesses
- Location & relocation
- Business financing
- Business expansion

Competitive Advantages

- 54% of the Maine labor force – or 360,000 workers - lives within a 50-mile radius.
- 5 colleges and higher learning institutions actively supplying a young, educated and diverse population.
- LA Maine is a well-connected transportation, distribution, and logistics hub.
- Direct access to I-95, Auburn Intermodal Center, and Auburn-Lewiston Municipal Airport (International flight capable and an existing Free Trade Zone).
- ICT infrastructure already in place: 237 miles of Gigabit Fiber to the Premises (FTTP), existing water and sewer for production operations, a wide natural gas network.
- Existing clusters include: Transportation, logistics, and distribution; call centers, back office support; health care and support; Manufacturing – heavy and specialized.
- Cost effective real estate with rates 40% lower than statewide comparisons